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The most current county-by-county information can be found in our quarterly publication *Employment and Labor Force Trends*. And most of our information is on the Internet at <http://rad.dli.state.mt.us/>. In addition, we'll do our best to provide information in accessible format, on request, in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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Richland County

Located in eastern Montana, Richland County is Montana's 20th most populous with 9,667 residents, according to the 2000 Census.

Sidney, the county seat, is the state's 16th largest city with a population of 4,774. It's home to the MonDak Heritage Center and Art Gallery, known as one of the best small town museums west of the Mississippi. Anglers can enjoy the border waterways of eastern Montana and western North Dakota and the more than 40 fish varieties, including the exotic paddlefish, which can top 150 pounds.

According to the *Montana Almanac*, by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, the county was established in 1914 and was named to bring settlers to the area. The authors say Sidney was named after the son of a pioneer family, Sidney Walters.

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Richland County households in 1997 was \$31,885. The county is 2,103.1 square miles in area; 2,084.2 square miles in land area and 18.9 in inland water area.

County residents experience the four distinct seasons. According to the *Western Regional Climate Center*, the average daily low in Sidney in January between 1961 and 1990 was 1.8 degrees above zero. The average daily high in July was 86.1 degrees above. The annual precipitation during the same period was 13.67 inches and the growing season was from May 11 to Sept. 15 (last and first frost).

Richland County Population

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Area	2000 Census	1990 Census	1980 Census	% Change '90 to '00	% Change '80 to '90	% Change '80 to '00
Montana	902,195	799,065	786,690	12.9%	1.6%	14.7%
Richland County	9,667	10,716	12,243	-9.8%	-12.5%	-21.0%
Fairview	709	869	1,366	-18.4%	-36.4%	-48.1%
Sidney	4,774	5,217	5,726	-8.5%	-8.9%	-16.6%

1998 New Businesses by Industry

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73	Business Services	1
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75	Auto-Repair Services	1
65	Real Estate	1
72	Personal Services	1
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Top 10 Private Employers In Richland County

Listed In Alphabetical Order

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Holly Sugar Corporation		

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau.

First Quarter 2001 Unemployment Insurance Information.

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Annual Average Labor Force For Richland County

Year	Civilian Labor Force		Unemployment		Unemployment Rate
	Employed	Unemployed	Employed	Unemployed	
2000	5,758	5,399	359	6.2%	
1999	5,754	5,357	397	6.9%	
1998	5,698	5,349	349	6.1%	
1997	5,504	5,217	287	5.2%	
1996	5,395	5,092	303	5.6%	
1995	5,397	5,086	311	5.8%	
1994	5,542	5,243	299	5.4%	
1993	5,391	5,003	388	7.2%	
1992	5,459	5,047	412	7.5%	
1991	5,340	4,947	393	7.4%	
1990	5,322	4,990	332	6.2%	
1989	5,359	4,972	387	7.2%	
1988	6,152	5,693	459	7.5%	
1987	6,109	5,590	519	8.5%	
1986	6,628	5,940	688	10.4%	
1985	7,149	6,670	479	6.7%	
1984	7,391	6,975	416	5.6%	
1983	7,422	6,639	783	10.5%	
1982	7,709	7,125	584	7.6%	
1981	7,826	7,645	181	2.3%	
1980	6,203	6,062	141	2.3%	
1979	5,494	5,390	104	1.9%	
1978	5,125	4,977	148	2.9%	
1977	4,611	4,445	166	3.6%	
1976	4,554	4,389	165	3.6%	
1975	4,316	4,149	167	3.9%	
1974	4,118	3,971	147	3.6%	
1973	3,879	3,731	148	3.8%	
1972	3,758	3,614	144	3.8%	
1971	3,512	3,361	151	4.3%	
1970	3,616	3,487	129	3.6%	

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau (2001 Benchmark)

Summary of Major Occupational Categories By Sex 1990 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data Civilian Labor Force-All Persons

Occupation	Total	Male	Female
Total	4,947	2,904	2,043
Managerial and Professional Specialty Occupations			
Executive, Administrative and Managerial Occupations	817	408	409
Professional Specialty Occupations	316	208	110
Technical, Sales and Administrative Support Occupations			
Technicians and Related Support Occupations	129	50	79
Sales Occupations	535	272	263
Administrative Support Occupations, including Clerical	524	81	443
Service Occupations			
Private Household Occupations	728	151	577
Protective Service Occupations	28	25	3
Service Occupations, Except Protective and Household	671	126	545
Farming, Forestry, Fishing			
Precision Production, Craft and Repair Occupations	675	578	97
Mechanics and Repairers	696	663	33
Construction Trade	242	242	0
Extractive Occupations	184	182	2
Precision Production Occupations	133	133	0
Operators, Fabricators and Laborers	137	106	31
Machine Operators, Assemblers and Inspectors	815	685	130
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	211	182	29
Handlers, Equipment Cleaners, Helpers and Laborers	354	314	40
Unemployed, No Recent Civilian Work Experience			
Unemployed, No Recent Civilian Work Experience	250	189	61
	28	16	12

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Equal Employment Opportunity File, (CD-ROM)

Resources

⇒ Chambers of Commerce:

Fairview Chamber, P.O. Box 374, Fairview, MT 59221, 406-747-5259
(their fax number too)

Sidney Chamber, 909 S. Central Ave., Sidney, MT 59270, 406-482-1916

⇒ Department of Labor and Industry:

Sidney Job Service Workforce Center

211 N. Central, Sidney, MT 59270, 406-482-1204

Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Research & Analysis Bureau Publications

For information on employment by industry, new businesses, labor market information, profile of the Montana worker, job projections and hourly pay by occupation, contact the office at any of the numbers listed on the front of this publication or check out our Internet website at <http://rad.dli.state.mt.us/>.

⇒ Housing Costs:

Check the Yellow Pages in the local phone directory for the *Real Estate* listings.

⇒ Internet:

Montana Job Service home page for job listings at <http://jsd.dli.state.mt.us/>.

Cities and towns of Crane, Fairview, Lambert, Savage and Sidney Home Pages—Use the Search Utilities on the Internet to find home pages for Montana cities.

⇒ Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

Drivers' Licensing

Sidney—Courthouse, 406-433-2378

⇒ Newspaper:

Sidney Herald-Leader, 310 Second Ave. N.E., Sidney, MT 59270, 406-482-2403, <http://www.sidneyherald.com>

⇒ Public Library:

Sidney Public Library, 121 Third Ave. N.W., Sidney, MT 59270-4098, 406-433-1917

⇒ Superintendent of Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

Borson Elementary, HC 57 Box 4030, Sidney, MT 59270, 406-482-1088

Fairview Public Schools, P.O. Box 467, Fairview, MT 59221, 406-742-5265

Lambert Public Schools, Box 260, Lambert, MT 59243, 406-774-3335

Rau Elementary, HC 57 Box 4030, Sidney, MT 59270, 406-482-1088

Savage Public Schools, Box 110, Savage, MT 59262, 406-776-2317

Sidney Public Schools, 121 Fifth St. S.W., Sidney, MT 59270, 406-433-4080

PLEASE NOTE: Because of time and budget constraints, we are only able to update our county fliers periodically. Individual tables are updated on a more frequent basis. You can call us if you'd like the most current information for a particular county. The **Annual Averages for County Employment By Industry** are updated monthly, usually in June. The **Top Employers** are updated annually. **Per Capita Income** statewide is usually released late spring. **Population data for Montana** is released in late December and county data in March. The **Annual Average Labor Force** information is benchmarked annually and numbers available before March. The **other tables contain Census information** and will be updated every 10 years. You can also look for more current information on our website listed on the front of this publication.

Richland County Employment By Industry*

Annual Averages 2000

Industry	# of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Average Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	462	3,844	\$81,581,103
PRIVATE BUSINESS	425	3,124	\$85,402,182
AGRI, FORESTRY, FISH	14	87	\$1,099,737
Agriculture Production/Crops	8	34	\$551,554
MINING	31	219	\$8,362,282
CONSTRUCTION	48	201	\$4,481,180
General Building	10	43	\$798,883
Heavy Construction	8	93	\$2,430,580
Special Trade	28	64	\$1,231,888
MANUFACTURING	11	300	\$10,019,042
Printing-Publishing	3	35	\$472,593
TRANS., COMMUN., UTILITIES	38	247	\$8,522,912
Local Transportation	5	10	\$70,341
Trucking-Warehousing	15	142	\$4,723,477
Air Transportation	3	10	\$208,978
Communication	3	11	\$366,539
Elec., Gas, Sanitation	6	55	\$2,539,336
WHOLESALE TRADE	23	162	\$3,139,516
Durable Goods	9	84	\$1,814,187
Non-durable Goods	14	97	\$1,625,349
RETAIL TRADE	101	844	\$10,490,397
Bldg Materials-Garden	7	45	\$633,033
General Merchandise	4	58	\$609,738
Food Stores	12	140	\$1,812,674
Auto Dealers-Service Stations	13	125	\$2,688,390
Apparel & Accessories	5	12	\$77,277
Furniture Stores	9	45	\$849,328
Eating & Drinking	32	353	\$2,676,306
Miscellaneous Retail	18	81	\$975,851
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	28	103	\$2,858,971
Banking	4	49	\$1,452,042
Insurance Agents	10	26	\$472,876
Real Estate	7	12	\$167,095
Holding & Investments	3	4	\$93,633
SERVICES	130	688	\$16,442,165
Hotels & Lodging	3	31	\$208,784
Personal Services	6	30	\$640,886
Business Services	9	13	\$282,966
Auto Repair Services	12	34	\$701,783
Miscellaneous Repair Services	6	14	\$210,971
Motion Pictures	3	16	\$105,109
Amusement & Recreation	6	41	\$258,786
Legal Services	10	23	\$489,214
Social Services	9	64	\$798,402
Membership Organizations	17	67	\$432,841
Engineering Services	15	69	\$2,105,056
Private Households	8	7	\$70,005
GOVERNMENT	38	719	\$16,178,921
State	10	36	\$1,107,390
Local	17	685	\$11,984,148
Federal	9	97	\$3,107,383

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau

(Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.)

*Employment Covered by Unemployment Insurance

Per Capita Personal Income

	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	1990	1980	1970
U.S.	\$28,542	\$27,322	\$25,874	\$24,651	\$23,562	\$22,581	\$21,718	\$21,082	\$20,089	\$19,584	\$10,183	\$4,095
Montana	\$21,997	\$21,307	\$20,173	\$19,383	\$18,764	\$18,129	\$18,072	\$17,114	\$16,509	\$15,524	\$9,143	\$3,625
% of National Average	77%	78%	78%	79%	80%	80%	81%	82%	79%	90%	93%	90%
Richland County	\$20,202	\$19,467	\$18,336	\$17,885	\$16,556	\$17,286	\$16,503	\$16,005	\$14,474	\$13,823	\$9,507	\$3,675
% of National Average	71%	71%	71%	73%	70%	77%	76%	75%	72%	71%	93%	90%

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System. Released May 2001

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Count of Persons by Age, Race and Sex

School/Age	White Alone		Black Alone		Alone		American		Asian Alone &		Some		Two or More		Hispanic or Latino of	
							Indian & Alaska Native		Native Hawaiian & Pacific		Other Race					
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
5-11	983	465	3	2	30	17	3	1	15	9	15	9	31	15		
12-14	490	250	0	0	7	4	0	0	2	0	5	2	10	7		
15-17	526	247	0	0	8	2	3	2	4	2	9	4	13	8		
18-21	375	182	0	0	8	5	0	0	3	2	2	1	12	6		
Total	2,374	1,144	3	2	53	28	6	3	24	13	31	16	66	36		
Voting Age	White Alone		Black Alone		Alone		American		Asian Alone &		Some		Two or More		Hispanic or Latino of	
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	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
16+	7,155	3,646	5	2	82	37	14	11	55	28	50	30	145	77		
16-64	5,668	2,779	4	2	79	37	13	10	47	22	46	27	118	63		
18+	6,814	3,493	5	2	76	35	11	9	54	27	46	28	141	74		
18-64	5,327	2,626	4	2	73	35	10	8	46	21	42	25	114	60		
Other Age Group	White Alone		Black Alone		Alone		American		Asian Alone &		Some		Two or More		Hispanic or Latino of	
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	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
0-4	522	239	1	1	20	9	1	1	7	2	7	4	14	6		
5-17	1,999	962	3	2	45	23	6	3	21	11	29	15	54	30		
18-44	3,084	1,544	3	2	55	25	5	3	29	16	27	16	70	39		
45-64	2,243	1,082	1	0	18	10	5	5	17	5	15	9	44	21		
65+	1,487	867	1	0	3	0	1	1	8	6	4	3	27	14		
Total	9,335	4,694	9	5	141	67	18	13	82	40	82	47	209	110		

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Summary File 1 (SF1) 100-Percent Data

Compiled by: Census & Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, September 2001

Richland County

County of Residence	# Who Work in Richland County	County of Work	# Who Live in Richland County
Out of State	176	Out of State	162
Dawson County	70	Dawson County	26
Fergus County	16	McCone County	17
Missoula County	14	Richland County	4,147
Richland County	4,147	Roosevelt County	75
Roosevelt County	30	Sheridan County	13
Wibaux County	11	Yellowstone County	15
Other Montana Counties	23	Other Montana Counties	27

Source: 1990 Census Data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics